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AGAINST TURKEY

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: WITHOUT ANY OPPOSING VOTES, THE
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ASSEMBLY OF THE WESTERN EUROPEAN UNION (WEU) VOTED ON
JUNE 20 FOR AN END TO THE US ARMS EMBARGO AGAINST
TURKEY. END SUMMARY.

2. THE WEU ASSEMBLY (89 PARLIAMENTARIANS FROM ALL
POLITICAL PARTIES IN UK, FRANCE, FRG, BELGIUM, HOLLAND,
ITALY, AND LUXEMBOURG) VOTED ON JUNE 20 FOR A REPORT

ON SECURITY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN WHICH INCLUDED A CALL FOR THE US TO ELIMINATE "ITS DISCRIMINATION" AGAINST TURKEY. REPORT WAS PREPARED BY UK MP, ANTHONY GRANT (CONSERVATIVE). IN HIS REPORT GRANT RECOMMENDED TO WEU COUNCIL (THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF MEMBER GOVERNMENTS) A NUMBER OF MEASURES AIMED AT STRENGTHENING THE POSITION OF THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH CALLED ON COUNCIL TO TAKE CONCERTED ACTION IN ALL APPROPRIATE BODIES WITH THE FOLLOWING OBJECTIVES IN VIEW: ...BY TAKING FULL ACCOUNT OF THE RESPECTIVE SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF GREECE, PORTUGAL, AND TURKEY FOR THE SUPPLY OF NECESSARY DEFENSE EQUIPMENT AND ASSISTANCE, AND BY CALLING ON THE UNITED STATES TO ELIMINATE ITS DISCRIMINATION AGAINST TURKEY.

3. PRIOR TO VOTE BOTH TURKISH AND GREEK OBSERVERS ADDRESSED THE WEU PARLIAMENTARIANS IN PREDICTABLE FASHION. FRENCH GAULLIST DEPUTY PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO DELETE THE REFERENCE TO US DISCRIMINATION AGAINST TURKEY. HOWEVER, WHEN HIS AMENDMENT RAISED FOR DEBATE, HE WAS ABSENT AND GAULLIST DEPUTIES AND SOME OTHERS (NO ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN) SAT ON HANDS DURING VOTING. THUS WE CANNOT SAY THAT RECOMMENDATION ON TURKEY WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY. IT IS CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT LARGE MAJORITY OF PARLIAMENTS
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